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SUBJECT: CIVAIR--US/GOA TALKS

REF: A. COBB/BEAL TELCON APRIL 18, 1975 AND B. BA 2724

1. FOLLOWING COBB/BEAL TELCON, RINALDINI WAS INFORMED THAT US WOULD BE READY FOR FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS LATE MAY OR EARLY JUNE PROVIDING GOA GAVE AUTHORIZATION RESOLVING PAN AM PROBLEMS RE MONTEVIDEO AND CARACAS. ECON COUNS ALSO SUGGESTED GOA MIGHT WISH PROPOSE SPECIFIC DATE.

2. RINALDINI CALLED LATE APRIL 18 AND INFORMED EMBASSY GOA WAS IN ACCORD WITH THIS ARRANGEMENT AND SUGGESTED JUNE 2 AS DATE FOR FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS TO BEGIN. MEANWHILE HE SAID, COMMENCING AT ONCE, GOA WOULD AUTHORIZE THE FIFTH EXTENSION TO MONTEVIDEO AND CONTINUED CHANGE OF GAUGE IN CARACAS FOR PAN AM. (US CARRIER REPS HERE INFORMED.)

3. RINALDINI RAISED QUESTION WHETHER US WAS GOING TO SEND NOTE TO FONOFF TO CONFIRM ARRANGEMENTS. ECON COUNS SAID HE DID NOT YET HAVE INSTRUCTIONS ON THIS, AND WOULD LET HIM KNOW.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT VIEWS ON WHETHER EMBASSY SHOULD SEND NOTE. AS STATED REF B. WE THINK THERE IS ADVAN-
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TAGE IN OUR WRITING NOTE AND WE WILL SEND DRAFT TEXT FOR

DEPARTMENT'S CONSIDERATION IN SUBSEQUENT TELEGRAM. AS
GENERAL PROPOSITION EMBASSY'S VIEW IS THAT US SHOULD TAKE
HARD-NOSED POSITION ON MATTER OF SUBSTANCE (E.G. WE
DO NOT BELIEVE THAT DURING NEGOTIATIONS WE SHOULD GIVE ANY-
THING IN EXCHANGE FOR PAN AM'S FIFTH EXTENSION TO MONTE-
VIDEO AND CHANGE OF GAUGE AT CARCAS), IN DEALING WITH GOA, BUT
THAT QUESTION OF WHO WRITES NOTE IS NOT REALLY MATTER OF SUB-
STANCE. WE APPRECIATE THAT OUR NEGOTIATIONS IN PAST HAVE
OFFERED NO ENCOURAGEMENT AS TO BROAD SUCCESS OF FORTHCOMING
ROUND. NEVERTHELESS, GOA AND AEROLINEAS BADLY WANT ADDITIONAL
FREQUENCIES AND USE OF 747 TO US. US CARRIERS WANT MORE FRE-
QUENCIES AND SOME UNDERSTANDING ON OPERATIONS FREE OF HARRASS-
MENT SUCH AS PAN AM HAS EXPERIENCED. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE
THERE IS GOOD CHANCE OF ACHIEVING AT LEAST THESE LIMITED BUT
VERY USEFUL GOALS IN FORMAL NEGOTIATIONS.
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